

State of Georgia  $\frac{2}{3}$  John R. Hanes & William M. Duke & George  
Jackson County  $\frac{2}{3}$  E. Whitehead When present Sept Thursday Night about  
one o'clock in Evening 5 September 1856 in the year of our Lord  
Eighteen Hundred & fifty six at the Residence of William M. Wood before his  
Death of the aforesaid County about Justice having before his Death in presence  
of his Mental faculties he called upon us to draw up & take  
notice of what he was about to say that it had been his intention to  
make his Will in Writing & Dispose of his property some time before  
but as it was not convenient for him to do so at the time he had intended  
it done he now called us to undertake that his Will & Desire was that  
My Wife Elizabeth Wood to Remain on the place I now reside & that  
My son James William to have the place I now reside and take care of his  
Wife - write he becomes of age & that my Executor to keep all my property  
together with Disposition of enough to be sold off to pay all my debts and  
Remainder to Remain on the place write My youngest child becomes of  
age & then to be sold off and be equally Distribution among all of them after  
all the Balance of My being his Heirs of My Property to make them  
Equal with My son James William who has My Place & that my Executor  
to employ an Attorney & build a house on my plantation to attend to my  
business & that he sign his further James Wood to see that his Wishes &  
Desire in this regard should be fully carried into Effect immediately after  
which he did this 9 September 1856

John R. Hanes  
William M. Duke  
E. Whitehead

Two persons appeared before Me Harvey A. Archer Justice of the peace in  
said County John R. Hanes & William M. Duke & George E. Whitehead  
who being duly sworn say that this paper contains the last Request &  
Verbal Disposition of the personal & Real of William M. Wood late of said  
County Deceased & is just & true in all its parts

Sworn to & Subscribed before Me this 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of September 1856

Harvey A. Archer J. P.

John R. Hanes  
William M. Duke  
E. Whitehead

Recorded 6<sup>th</sup> October 1856

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